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FM ALUSNA CANBERRA

TO RUECW/DNI

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PASS ALSO TO CIA

POSSIBLE SOVIET INFORMER

1. ASST ALUSNA RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL 23 NOV FROM PERSON CLAIMING TO BE POLISH DRIVER OF RUSSIAN VEHICLE. MOST OF CONVERSATION RECORDED BY ALUSNA. INFO TOUCHED ON SEVERAL AREAS INCLUDING: POSSIBLE CONNECTION SOVIET GOVT SUPPLYING MONEY TO INDIVIDUAL IN U.S. TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT; POSSIBLE SOVIET IMPLICATION IN U.S.S. THRESHER INCIDENT;

SYSTEM OF USSR EMBASSY PERSONNEL MEETING MIGRANTS TO

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AUSTRALIA, PROVIDING FALSE PASSPORTS AND SENDING THEM TO

OTHER COUNTRIES; RUSSIAN MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CUBA AND

INDONESIA; RUSSIAN CONTACT WITH COOPERATIVE IN INDO EMBASSY,

CANBERRA; EMPLOYEE IN AMEMB CANBERRA (VCMAND) WHO IS GIVING

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INFO TO SOVIET EMB; SENDING OF AGENTS FROM AUST TO U.S.
PERSON GAVE CONSIDERABLE DETAIL ON MODUS OPERANDI OF TWO
SOVIET AGENTS IN SYDNEY.

2. PERSON HAS AGREED TO MEETING WITH ASST ALUSNA IN SYDNEY
IN NEAR FUTURE. HAS ASKED FOR ASSURANCE HE WILL BE PROTECTED
IF HE COOPERATES. TOLD THAT THIS COULD BE DISCUSSED AT FIRST
MEETING.

3. AMBASSADOR, CAS AND ASIO INFORMED. ASIO CONDUCTING
SURVEILLANCE FOR WELL DESCRIBED CAR AND DRIVER WHO CLAIMS
TO BE IN CANSERRA NOW; KEEPING SOVIET EMBASSY UNDER SURVEILLANCE;
PMG HAS WATCH AT PHONE EXCHANGE TO TRACE ADDITIONAL CALLS.
IF CALL TRACED ASIO HAS ARRANGED TO MAKE IMMEDIATE SURVEILLANCE
OF ORIGINATOR AND/OR PLACE FROM WHICH CALL MADE. ASIO PLAN TO
COVER MEETING OF ASST ALUSNA IN SYDNEY IF IT EVENTUATES.

4. CAS COORDINATING WITH ASIO.

5. ON 15 OCTOBER 1962 A SIMILAR CALL WAS RECEIVED AT EMB
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POSSIBLY FROM SAME PERSON. IN THAT CALL REFERENCE MADE TO
PLOT WITH REWARD 100,000 DOLLARS TO KILL PRESIDENT KENNEDY.
CALLER ALSO STATED USSR SURE ON WAY TO CUBA WITH TROOPS
WHOSE SECOND OBJECTIVE TO GUARANTEE SUPPORT TO GOVERNOR
OF MISSISSIPPI. SUBSTANCE OF CALL PASSED TO ASIO AT THAT
TIME BUT NO FURTHER INFO DEVELOPED.

6. WHILE SOME ASPECTS INDICATE INDIVIDUAL A CRANK OTHERS
SEEM MORE AUTHENTIC. ALL PARTIES, INCLUDING AMBASSADOR,
FEEL MATTER SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED UNTIL ADDITIONAL FACTS

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ARE DEVELOPED OR EXISTING LEADS HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED. .

7. ALUSNA MAKING VERBATUM TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDING WITH
COMMENTS TO BE SENT NEXT POUCH.

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